

MANY VETERANS GOING TO MINORS

Only Fifty Players of Ten Years' Experience in Big Leagues.

COUGHLIN IS LATEST TO GO BACKWARD

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Jack Warner, Al Orth, Jack O'Connor, Jimmy Collins, "Sox" Seybold, Bill Coughlin, Dan McGann and Ollie Pickering. The list of veterans who are giving way to younger men is constantly growing, and the chances are that before the season of 1909 has reached May 1st, at least as many more will be ready for the minors. Philippe of the Pirates, as good as done, George Davis, of the White Sox, cannot last many more seasons, nor can Willie Keeler. Case Patten, McGinnity, Taylor and Jesse Tannehill are others who are about through with the big leagues.

Emmett Helderick came back last year, but owing to lack of condition failed to do much. He may have to pass it up again this year. "Chick" Fraser and Steinfeld are almost ready to quit as well, and "Rabbit" Slagle has not much big league baseball in him, and may have to follow that other fleet center fielder, Harry Bay, to the Southern League.

In the next few years the American League will see more veterans give way to advancing years than will the National, for the reason that the American has more of the older players. In fact, of some fifty-five players who were in the National League in 1899, and are still in it, only twenty-one are left to-day, the other survivors still in the National League last year being Tenney, Steinfield, Ritchie, Barry, Leach, Dahlin, Wagner, Thomas, Beaumont, Fred Clarke, Sheppard, Slagle, Bowerman, Fraser, Leever, McGinnity, Willis, Phillips, McGraw, and Joe Kelley, the last two being managers.

The list of American League players who were in the National in 1899 is much larger, being as follows: Pitchers Waddell, Chesbro, Griffith, Newton, Tannehill, Powell, Young, Howell and Orth; Catchers McGuire, Wagner, Dewey, Criger, Sullivan, Schreck and McFarland; Second Basemen Lajoie, Third Basemen Bradley, Collins, Williams and Wallace; Shortstops Davis, Jennings and Elberfeld; Outfielders Flick, Helderick, Hartel, Seybold, Crawford, Fielder Jones, Anderson and Hemphill. Of these, only Leach, Barry, Chance, Donlin, Hartel, Seybold, Howell, Schreck, Elberfeld and Hemphill were comparative youngsters, that being their first or second year in fast company.

Coughlin Long a Star.
In the retirement of Bill Coughlin to the minors, the American League loses another of the few players who had been with the league since its start in 1900. Bill always was a good third sacker. When he first joined Kansas City in 1899, he led the third baseman of the Western League, with an average of .362 in sixteen games. He also led them the following year, with an average of .429 for 120 games. He was third in 1901, third in 1902, second in 1903, fifth in 1904, third in 1905, fourth in 1906.

His poorest fielding averages all those years were .319 and .352, the best, a whole season considered.

No better fellow ever lived than Bill, and all the ball players around the circuit will miss him. Always perfectly fair and square, he has enjoyed the respect of players, umpires and fans in the nine years he has been in the American League.

BRINGS SORROW TO THE TALENT

Belle of the Bay, Favorite in Third at Savannah, Comes Under a Loser.

SAVANNAH, GA., January 9.—The largest crowd attended the Thunderbolt race since New Year's Day was on hand this afternoon. The attendance was between 1,500 and 2,000, the favorites as a rule won except in the third event, when the failure of Belle of the Bay to land brought sorrow to the talent.

Never let down in the first race from the drop of the barrier, Masks and Faces responded gamely in the fourth race, with Arawaka showing in good form. Spunky winded early and barely came in second.

Castledown had an easy race in the last event of the day. Track fast. Summaries:

First race—purse for three-year-olds and up, about seven furlongs—Charles G. Gates (5 to 2) first, Merise (4 to 5) second, Deen (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:22.5.

Second race—purse for three-year-olds and up, about seven furlongs—Galileo (3 to 2) first, Antenna Flies (3 to 1) second, George Bailey (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:26.5.

Third race—purse for three-year-olds and up, five furlongs—Emley (6 to 1) first, W. G. Williams (4 to 5) second, Belle of the Bay (3 to 5) third. Time, 1:06.5.

Fourth race—purse for three-year-olds and up, six furlongs—Masks and Faces (1 to 5) first, Spunky (8 to 5) second, Arawaka (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:31.

Fifth race—three-year-olds and up, six and a half furlongs—Castledown (6 to 2) first, Miss Marjorie (5 to 1) second, Euripides (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:37.

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A TEN PIN RECORD FOR CITY IS MADE

Whitman Rolls Phenomenal Score in Match With Professor Blanton at Newport Alley.

All city records for tenpin rolling were smashed last week during a match between Whitman and Professor Blanton. Whitman rolling the high score of 265. He also made an average of 245 in five games. Professor Blanton made a high score of 244 and an average of 217 in five games. Following are the games in detail:

Whitman—265, 244, 225, 227, 265; total, 1,276. Blanton—225, 220, 186, 244, 208; total, 1,083.

The week's high scores at the Newport Alley are as follows:

Tenpins—Whitman, 265; Blanton, 244; Dowling, 240; Eggleston, 237; Brown, 235; Leibs, 228; Sutherland, 235; Bailey, 231; Roy, 219; Blair, 210; Ramsey, 213; Jones, 208; Dieckman, Koller, 144; Whitman, 139; Hepkin, 130; Haw, 130; Toombs, 120; Knowles, 120; Leibs, 120; Tucker, 112; Bailey, 112; Boone, 110; Gregory, 109.

The Richmond bowling team, which has been selected by the National Bowling Association to represent Richmond at the coming bowling tournament in New York in April, will be composed of the following: Whitman, captain; Spilling, Dowling, Blair, Bell and Menting. All of the players are in class A, and their average score is said to compare favorably with that of any bowlers in the East.

TWO PROBLEMS OF MUCH IMPORTANCE

Presidency and Salary Limit Will Be Considered by Virginia League Magnates.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., January 9.—Every fan interested in baseball in the six cities comprising the Virginia League will watch with unusual interest the proceedings of the magnates, who will be in session here next Monday.

The call has been issued for the directors to convene at the Hotel Carroll at 10 o'clock. It is expected that President Jake Wells will be on hand to preside over the meeting. If he is in, Vice-President W. B. Bradley, of Richmond, will preside.

The fight over the salary limit will be a question that will demand as much time as the election of a president to succeed to Wells. The local club wants to limit placed at \$400 up to \$1,800. Richmond and Norfolk will probably stand with Lynchburg in this respect. Roanoke and Portsmouth want the limit \$1,500, with \$150 the maximum for each player, aside from the playing manager. Danville will settle this fight or deadlock it.

On the question of the presidency a forecast is hard to make. At the last meeting in Richmond there was a deadlock. Norfolk, Richmond and Lynchburg voting for Mr. Wells, and the other terms voting for C. S. Boyer, president of the South Atlantic League. Since that meeting Mr. Boyer is reported to have stated that he is not a candidate for the position, and Mr. Wells has moved his headquarters to New York. It would seem that both of these gentlemen are not to be considered further. Secretary E. N. Gregory, of Richmond, is spoken of for the office, and with the other gentlemen eliminated, he looks to be the most available candidate.

Wins First Honors.
COTTON PLANT, MISS., January 9.—Captain Jack, a setter dog, the property of William Monroe, of Muskogee, Mich., won first honors in the subscription of the Eastern field trials, concluded to-day.

Townpaugh, owned by Charles M. Tway, of Union Springs, Ala., was second, and third honors were divided between Gilt Edge and King Woolton, the former owned by A. M. Maclin, of Jacksonville, Ill., and the latter the property of O. E. Gabriel, of Newark, N. J.

No decision, however, has yet been reached as to the place for the next trials.

Turkish Ambassador Arrives.
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 9.—Hussien Kiazim Bey, Turkish ambassador to this country, reached Washington to-night from New York, where he landed Thursday.

TWO HANDLERS OF THE INDICATOR



UMPIRE CONNELLY. They are making plans as to the best way to secure the infallibility demanded of the arbitrator and dictator of our great national game.

Judge the plays: O'Day, Emmelle, Klem, Johnston, Higler, Truby and Cusack. Truby has been umpiring for two years. In 1907 he officiated in the Virginia League, and last season in the South Atlantic and Ohio State Leagues.

NELSON DID NOT LIKE THE FIGHT

Battler Declares That Neither Murphy Nor Madden Showed Championship Form.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, January 9.—Battling Nelson did not think much of the ten-round bout between Tommy Murphy and Frankie Madden at the National Athletic Club on Friday night, judging from the comments he made to some friends after the mill. He said that if a decision had been rendered it should have been a draw, but neither boxer showed championship material.

Every day develops some new aspirant for Jack Johnson's title. The latest person who declares that he wants to fight the big negro is Ralph Rose, the giant shot putter and hammer thrower. Rose says he now weighs 210 pounds, stripped, and that he will meet Johnson whenever the latter is through his hat, for he has never had any ring experience and is too slow on his feet to be seriously regarded as having a chance with Burns's conqueror.

Ernest Sigfried, a bulky German wrestler who has just arrived here from the other side, says he wants to make a match with either Frank Frank Gotch, the American champion, or Mahmoud, the big Turkish grappler. It is probable that he will have to wait until Gotch and Mahmoud have settled their differences on the mat before he can put either of them to the test.

Marathon Craze.
The craze for Marathon races in and out of doors has evidently prompted some energetic promoters who will do business in the name of the International Sports Company of this city, to hire Madison Square Garden for the week beginning March 7th, at midnight, for an old-fashioned six-day, go-as-you-please race. It is planned to have thirty-six runners, divided into eighteen teams, who will go after \$5,000 in cash prizes. The race will be an international affair, it is said, with representatives of America, England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Italy, Germany, France, Russia, Belgium, Brazil, Holland, Africa, Canada, Spain, Australia, Japan, China and the Philippines.

President Farrell, of the New York Americans, received a telegram to-day from the club's scout, Arthur Irwin, in Atlanta, that he had closed the deal for the release of infielder Joe Ward, recently reinstated by the National Commission, and that the player would report to Manager Stallings at Macon in March.

Farrell also received word from Cincinnati that Hal Chase's written application for reinstatement had been received by the commission, which means that it is only a matter of time before Chase is officially restored to the local Americans.

President Pulliam, of the National League, has completed his staff of umpires for this year, and these men will

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WHO IS WILLING TO TELL THE CAT?

Citizens of Fistiana Still Perturbed Over Possible Master for the Black Champion.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, January 9.—Who is going to tell the cat, the cat being one Jack Arthur Johnson? That is the one question which is uppermost in the minds of those who constitute the citizens of Fistiana.

The one man who can do it without doubt absolutely refuses to consider it. That is big Jim Jeffries. He says he will under no circumstances enter the ring again, and as there is no law to compel him to do so, this may be considered final.

Of course, the statements of Corbett, Fitzsimmons and Sharkey that they are willing to re-enter the ring and wrest the laurels from the ebony brow of the black champion is not to be taken seriously. Ten years ago either of these men could have turned the trick, but while the spirit may be willing, the flesh is weak and weak.

Of the young heavyweights now fighting, I can see none who would have a reasonable show against Johnson when the hollow way in which he disposed of Tommy Burns is considered. It looks as though we would have to wait until Stanley Ketchick grows up, unless, of course, Al Ketchick grows class enough to cop the crown.

The recent decision of Supreme Court Judge Seabury making permanent the injunction forbidding the police to interfere with boxing matches between legitimate clubs probably will give New Yorkers an opportunity to see some good fighting. Never since the repeal of the Horton law has the boxing game, legitimately conducted, had such an opportunity to flourish, and there is little danger of another setback as long as "fly by night" clubs are discouraged by those who patronize the sport. There are thousands of lovers of the Queensberry game in this city—respectable citizens and law-abiding too—who have just as much right to join a club and enjoy boxing exhibitions as any other sort of entertainment.

Bolled down and stripped of legal verbiage, Justice Seabury's decision strains the police from entering the rooms of clubs to make arrests for alleged misdemeanors, not committed or attempted to be committed in the presence of the police, without first procuring warrants. Should some police force their way into club houses they will be acting in contempt of court, and will be liable to severe punishment. Therefore the raiding habit is likely to become extremely unpopular with the police officials who are directly concerned.

Jim Driscoll has two more matches in sight. He meets Tommy O'Toole at the National Club of Philadelphia, on January 12th, the weight to be 145 pounds at 6 o'clock. At Boston, on January 19th, Driscoll will enter the ring to meet Grover Hayes or Tommy Murphy.

Stanley Ketchick, in his success, is not forgetting the "old folks." "I am going to Michigan," says Ketchick, "and will buy a home for my parents in Grand Rapids. I may never fight again. One thing is certain, and that is, I will not make the middleweight limit any more. The work is too heavy for me to go up 130 pounds, but the thing of getting down to the middleweight limit again is past me. I do not have to fight any more. I have enough money to quit the game, and I'm not going to take any more chances on hurting my health training to low weights."

Three years ago a youth, rosy-cheeked, white-aproned, ornamented the back room of a Park Row third parlor. "Who wants the handsome waiter?" he called. And he spoke the truth. He was a slender, undeveloped boy of quiet voice and easy manner. He was slow to move, but—

One day somebody dropped the hat. They were off to have a water-survived the mix-up unscathed. While they were carrying the wounded to the ambulance, Mr. John Sirocco took the boy aside. "I didn't know you were a fighter," he said. "I am your manager. Beat it to the gym and train."

In the last year he has been making history for the Bowery—his native haath. He is now sailing toward the lightweight championship goal.

Bedell Defeated.
BOSTON, MASS., January 9.—Hugh McLean, of Chelsea, the American middle distance motor-paced bicycle champion, to-night defeated Menu Bedell, of New York, in a twenty-mile paced race at the Park Square Coliseum, by half a lap. The time was 53 minutes 52 seconds.

In a matched sprint race Eddie Root, of New York, took the first two heats and the race from Walter Bardgett, of Syracuse, N. Y.

A ten-mile open professional race was won by N. M. Anderson, of Danbury, in 29 minutes 25 seconds, with Mark Bedell, of New York, second, and Worth Mitten, of Davenport, Ia., third.

STOLE NINE CHICKENS.
Henrietta Slenth Walks Five Miles with Prisoner and Lands Him in Jail.

After a trudge of five miles from Acca Station to the Henrico county jail, Detective Dunnington, of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railway, at 2 o'clock this morning delivered Henry Stokes, colored, an alleged chicken thief, to Deputy Sheriff Garrett. Stokes had nine fowls in his possession when captured. Stokes alleged to have been in the house of Lewis Bonaparte, and was making his way in the direction of the city when caught.

Jury Disagrees.
NORFOLK, VA., January 9.—The jury in the case of W. B. Lightly, charged with being short \$31,000 in his accounts as former cashier of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad, disagreed, and two were discharged. The defense showed by witnesses that the books in question had been in a muddle for years, due to faulty bookkeeping, that the defendant had been advised to take the job for this reason, and that he bore a good reputation. This being the second mistrial, it is understood that the case will be noll prossed Monday.

Vessel Under Water.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., January 9.—The report from the Anglo-African at 11 o'clock to-night is that the steamer is lying with her stern under water and bow above, and that she is completely waterlogged. The wrecking tug Cooley returned from the scene to-night, the commander declaring the vessel can only be saved at heavy expense. The matter will be taken up with the owners.

Meetings.
THE STATED COMMUNICATION OF Fraternal Lodge, No. 53, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at the Masonic Temple TO-MORROW (Monday) EVENING, January 11, 1903, at 7:30 o'clock. Every member of the lodge is requested to attend, and members of sister lodges and interested brethren are fraternally invited to unite with us. The Most Worshipful Grand Master will preside, and the following officers will be present: W. M. REINHOLZ, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the First National Bank of Richmond, Va., will be held at the office of the bank, 1104 East Main Street, Richmond, Va. 12 o'clock noon, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903. JNO. M. MILLER, JR., Cashier.

National Bank of Virginia, Richmond, Va., Dec. 12, 1902. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the National Bank of Virginia, Richmond, Va., will be held at their banking rooms, 1104 East Main Street, Richmond, Va. 12 o'clock noon, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon. W. M. ADDISON, Cashier.

Virginia Trust Company, Richmond, Va., Jan. 2, 1903. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this company will be held at the office of the company in the city of Richmond, Va., on THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon. L. D. AXLEY, Secretary.

The Union Bank of Richmond, Va., 1114 East Main Street, Dec. 19, 1902. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Union Bank of Richmond, Va., will be held at their banking rooms, 1114 East Main Street, Richmond, Va. 12 o'clock noon, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon. GEO. W. CALL, Cashier.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Germania American Banking and Building Co. will be held at the company's office, room 2, Ebel Building, on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1903, at 12:30 P. M. CHAS. K. WILLIS, Secretary and Treasurer.

Bank of Commerce and Trusts, Richmond, Va., Dec. 28, 1902. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Bank of Commerce and Trusts will be held at the offices of the bank, Ninth and Main Streets, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 12TH, at 2 o'clock P. M. CHAS. A. PEPPE, Secretary.

Virginia State Insurance Company, Richmond, Va., Jan. 5, 1903. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this company will be held at the company's office, corner Main and Fifth Streets, this city, on THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1903, at 12 o'clock M. ROBT. LECKY, JR., Vice-President and Secretary.

Granite Building Company, Richmond, Va., Dec. 19, 1902. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this company will be held in their office, No. 8 North Tenth Street, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 5 o'clock P. M. W. C. BLANTON, Secretary.

Planters' National Bank, Richmond, Va., Dec. 12, 1902. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this bank, for the election of directors and other business, will be held in the bank building, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 12 o'clock M. RICHARD H. SMITH, Cashier.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Merchants' National Bank of Richmond, Va., will be held Tuesday, January 13th, at twelve o'clock, for the election of directors and other business. THOS. B. McADAMS, Cashier.

The Savings Bank of Richmond, 1114 East Main Street, Dec. 19, 1902. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of this bank will be held at the banking house THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1903, at 4 o'clock P. M. JAS. M. BALL, Cashier.

Richmond, Va., December 29, 1902. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Capital Savings Bank, Richmond, Va., will be held at their banking rooms in the Mutual Building, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 12 o'clock M. R. M. KENT, Cashier.

NOTICE SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING: The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the City Bank for the election of directors will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 11 A. M. AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK OF RICHMOND. By O. BAYLOR HILL, Cashier.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the National State Bank of Richmond, Va., will be held in its banking house, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1903, at 12 o'clock M. WM. M. HILL, Cashier.

CITY BANK of Richmond, Va. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this bank will be held at their banking house MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 1903, at 12 o'clock M. J. W. SUTTON, Cashier.

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Just the other day, his nits, Enrique Cret, Governor of Chihuahua, and former ambassador to the United States, stopped an advertised go-between Elid Harold, of El Paso, and Jack Graham, of Kansas City. He said this game was "brutal."